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## **DETAILED ACTION**

The appeal brief as filed by the applicant on 5 April 2006 does not comply with 37 CFR 41.37 section (b)(1) (V) of MPEP, which states:

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(v) *Summary of claimed subject matter.* A concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims involved in the appeal, which shall refer to the specification by page and line number, and to the drawing, if any, by reference characters. For each independent claim involved in the appeal and for each dependent claim argued separately under the provisions of paragraph (c)(1)(vii) of this section, every means plus function and step plus function as permitted by 35 U.S.C. 112, sixth paragraph, must be identified and the structure, material, or acts described in the specification as corresponding to each claimed function must be set forth with reference to the specification by page and line number, and to the drawing, if any, by reference characters.

The summary of the invention presented by the applicant does not indicate to the appropriate drawing(s) that support the claims involved.

Appropriate correction is required.

### ***Conclusion***

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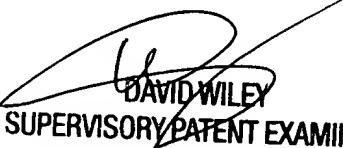
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